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### **Tobacco-Free Schools and Grounds**

The St. James-Assiniboia School Division recognizes its responsibility to provide a healthy working and learning environment for its students and employees.

All St. James-Assiniboia School Division buildings and grounds are smoke-free. Smoking by any person, therefore, is not permitted in Division buildings or on their grounds at any time.

All students, employees and visitors are expected to comply with this policy.

This policy conforms to the Smoking and Vapour Products Control Act, which governs smoking in public places and proprietor's responsibilities ([Smoking and Vapour Products Control Act](#)). Section 5.1 of the Act includes specific reference to traditional Aboriginal practices:

“Exception for traditional Aboriginal practices

5.1 Nothing in this Act prohibits

- a) an Aboriginal person from using tobacco; or
- b) a non-Aboriginal person from using tobacco with an Aboriginal person;

if the activity is carried out for a traditional Aboriginal spiritual or cultural practice or ceremony.”

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